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WORLD BANK SURVEY
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a recent survey conducted by the World Bank revealed wide spread irregularities in the public services in our country;

(b) if so, the facts given in survey of World Bank;

(c) the response of the Government on survey of World Bank; and

(d) the corrective steps taken/proposed to be taken on the basis of survey?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL)

(a) & (b): The World Bank`s recent publication `India-Inclusive Growth & Service Delivery: Building on India`s Success`, while commending India for being increasingly successful in electoral democracy and becoming the fourth largest economy in the world in purchasing power parity terms, also, inter alia, dwells upon the challenges of improving service delivery and expanding the benefits of rapid growth across sectors, regions and people.

(c) & (d): Improvement of service delivery is a continuous process. Government of India consistently draws upon past experience and available knowledge to improve service delivery of its development schemes, so as to achieve maximum impact on the poor through strengthened mechanisms, like Outcome Budget, for enhancing performance, accountability and monitoring.